TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



SB 463 - HB 589

March 2, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a court, in determining whether a particular object is drug paraphernalia, to consider that a person may not assert as a defense to a charge of unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia that the object alleged to be drug paraphernalia was unused or did not contain a controlled substance.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

• Adding an additional consideration for courts making evidentiary determinations relating to whether an item is drug paraphernalia will not have a significant impact on current practice and can be accommodated within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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